

contract with any state or private agency for assistance in carrying out studies. Well, we do that constantly. I don't understand that opinion whatsoever. In any event I want to point out that I will not move to override the A bill. It has \$35,000 in it. The funds under the program which this would be paid out of was not reduced, and with the Governor's vetoes of the Legislature, we feel we can handle any cost if it's needed through that so it's almost immaterial in any event. Secondly, it indicates that the Legislative Performance Review and Audit Committee could not recommend to the Executive Board reimbursement of an agency and for the Executive Board to approve that expenditure. Well, obviously in the final analysis it would probably be while we're in session if it was to be done at all. I see no logic to that at all. Those of us who supported this bill through the four year study primarily were concerned with one thing and that is that in state after state where they have set up a separate commission to do a uniform data development, data system, they have spent literally hundreds of thousands and in some cases, millions of dollars in development of an information system which is not needed or beneficial for legislative purposes to review postsecondary educational cost. Our concern was to keep the development of that information system within the legislative hands until it has been established with the guidelines such that we're not asking for a lot of information which is not relative or is not impertinent but rather that we keep it within the framework necessary for the Legislature to make policy decisions. We have consistently stated that at some point once it is developed it may well be designated to some agency to continue to carry it out, but for its development, it is essential that the Legislature retains the authority proposed in 897 and I would urge that you would override the veto.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President, I rise to support the override and again remind you that acting under the authority given to our committee by this Legislature with the direction to this Legislature that we develop a uniform data system, we've expended great amounts of time and money. We've invited that all kinds of input up to this point in time, those that claim by letter that they support coordination of higher education have had a long opportunity to come forward with this, and let me say now, I'm proud of the institutions that we did business with. The institutions at first were reluctant and, Senator Rumery, you remember some of those early ones, but finally we came to some common understanding in terms of where we are. We've got the system together now and it would be ridiculous for us to not override this and start an implementation of the system.

PRESIDENT: Record your vote. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: (Read record vote found on pages 2197 and 2198 of the Journal.) 35 ayes, 3 nays, 3 excused and not voting, and 6 present and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 897 becomes law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Warner moves that LB 756 become law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.